Trinity Washington University

Dean of the School of Education

Trinity in Washington, a comprehensive university enrolling 1,900 students in undergraduate and graduate programs, seeks a strong leader for the School of Education. Trinity seeks a visionary educational leader who will work with a dynamic team in developing curricula and programs aligned with the changing demands for high quality teacher education and school leadership in the Washington region and nationally. The current degree programs in the School of Education include the M.A.T. (Early Childhood, Elementary, Secondary and Special Education), M.Ed. (Curriculum and Instruction, Ed Policy) and M.S.A. (Educational Administration). The Dean also oversees undergraduate degree programs in Education delivered in cooperation with the College of Arts & Sciences (BAs in Early Childhood and Elementary Education) and School of Professional Studies (AA and BA in Early Childhood Education). Trinity has CAEP accreditation for the Education programs and works closely with DC OSSE, the Office of the State Superintendent of Education.

With the faculty in the respective programs, the dean is responsible for overseeing development of curricula and pedagogies that will ensure excellent professional outcomes for the graduates of Trinity’s Education programs. The dean will cultivate strong and effective partnerships with regional K-12 schools and systems (private, charter, public) and other educational and human service organizations, as well as the relevant regional public officials and private leaders. Establishing effective partnerships with major funders is an additional expectation. The dean must be able to be a visible participant in the vital conversations in Washington about school reform, teaching effectiveness and assessment, the future of K-12 education and social services for families and children, and the development of public policies around these topics.

The dean is also responsible to recruit, retain and develop faculty capacity, both full-time and adjunct; to oversee the management of the routine affairs of the School of Education, including academic advising, clinical placements and supervision, school and agency relationships, accreditation relationships and compliance, and related personnel and policy administration. The dean reports to the provost and works in close cooperation with three other academic deans as well as the senior executive staff and president.

Candidates must present a track record of at least ten years of increasingly responsible administrative experience in higher education, preferably in a school of education. Candidate should have familiarity with CAEP standards with a preference for candidates who have directly managed CAEP work. Preferred candidates will have collegiate teaching experience, and K-12 experience or professional experience in a human service filed is an advantage. Candidates must have an earned doctorate, preferably in Education or a related field with evidence of directly relevant professional experience.

Candidates must also demonstrate proficiency in writing and oral expression, superior management and interpersonal skills, and a clear commitment to developing cultural competency throughout the team.

Candidates should send a complete c.v. along with a letter of application (no more than 2 pages) addressing how the candidate’s experience and credentials align with this announcement. Finalists will be expected to submit the names of up to five professional references.

Interested candidates should submit apply here.

Trinity Washington University is dedicated to the achievement of excellence and diversity among its students, faculty and staff. Trinity is committed to fostering a diverse and inclusive community and strongly encourages all qualified individuals to apply.